Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Edith Burrell, and we are richer because Edith lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Edith was born August 14, 1917, near Trail City, South Dakota, to James and Elizabeth Metzinger Collins, was raised near Trail City, graduated as valedictorian from Trail City High School, attended Northern State Teachers College and obtained a one year teaching certificate, and attended summer school and received a Bachelor's degree in elementary education in December 1976; and,

Whereas, Edith married Bruce Burrell on December 27, 1949, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Aberdeen, South Dakota, they resided in Gettysburg, South Dakota, and to this union they were blessed with two children, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Edith resides in Gettysburg and will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her family and friends gather on August 13, 2017, to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 14, 2017, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many family and friends in wishing her a happy birthday.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State